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DECRYPTION WITH SECONDARY
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of the application filed on January 17, 2002 and the calculation of
fees associated with the claims thereof, please enter the following amendments and consider the
accompanying remarks.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

At page 2, please replace the fourth paragraph with the following:

From a performance perspective (both CPU utilization and throughput), Inline Receive is
generally considered a better solution than Secondary Use. However, Inline Receive is more
expensive to implement because the keys and matching information for cryptography operations

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